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IMPROVE ORGANIZATION OF FARM MANPOWER

PLANTERS' AND BREEDERS' GROUPS INCREASE -- Trybuna Ludu, 28 Apr 50

More than 23,000 agricultural producers' groups were organized in the villages in the first quarter of 1950. There are now about 92,000 various active groups with a membership of 1,500,000 including 187,000 women. Small and medium farmers comprise more than 90 percent of the members.

The most popular groups are the hog breeders, with a membership of about 25,000, and the fibrous and oleaginous crop farmers.

Over 60,000 group leaders or supervisors were trained in the first quarter to stimulate activity among the planters and breeders.

PEASANT SELF-HELP EXPANDS -- Zycie Warszawy, 10 May 50

In the first quarter of 1950, the Peasant Self-Help Cooperative movement organized 1,288 new village groups, making a total of 35,613 groups.

In the last 3 months, membership increased by 114,000, reaching a total of 1,700,000 persons including 400,000 women.

NEW PRESIDENT OF PEASANT SELF-HELP -- Zycie Warszawy, 14 Jun 50

Jozef Ozga-Michalski, secretary of the Chief Executive Committee of the United Peasant Party, was elected president of the Peasant Self-Help Cooperatives by the fourth plenary assembly of the organization.

The plenary assembly was held in Warsaw on 13 June 1950.

SCORES MISMANAGEMENT OF TRADE UNIONS -- Rzeczpospolita, 10 Jun 50

According to reports submitted to the Fourth Convention of Agricultural Workers' Trade Unions, the unions failed to accomplish the tasks set by the

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1948 convention. This failure is attributed primarily to the president of the executive committee of the union made up of embezzlers and antigovernment elements. Centkowiak, former chairman of the executive committee; Zienkiewicz, committee member, and Dzwonkiewicz, former cashier, were responsible for the mismanagement.

One of the most serious charges was the failure to popularize the new collective agreement. Furthermore, 10 million zlotys granted for workers' vacations and funds earmarked for cultural purposes were not utilized. Orders and instructions of the Central Council of Trade Unions were disregarded by the presidium of the executive committee. Under such circumstances, Dzwonkiewicz pocketed over 5 million zlotys.

Whatever the union achieved was the result of conscientious work of union leaders and the majority of agricultural workers. The Central Council of Trade Unions helped to unmask the harmful activity of some of the committee members. Thereupon, a new provisional executive committee was set up headed by Jacakowa, a woman farm worker.

The number of union members rose from 170,000 in 1948 to 209,000 in 1950.

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